

SPRING VALLEY COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #99
HEARING & REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
KENNEDY LIBRARY, JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL
999 NORTH STRONG AVENUE, SPRING VALLEY, IL 61362
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2025, 5:00 P.M.



Note: Non-action agenda items may be added

Posted: September 19, 2025

BUDGET HEARING AGENDA

Minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL** 5:03pm
Board members present: Lindsey Ferrari, Tina Pienta, Lisa Ponce, Korby Kasperski (entered at 5:08), and Nicki Olsen. Board members not present: Sarah Raymond and Sydney Thompson.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**
Motion by Ponce seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting Agenda. Roll call was taken and passed unanimously.
4. **INTRODUCTION/RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT, CORRESPONDENCE, & ANNOUNCEMENTS**
Julie DeFore announced that it was Principal's Week.
6. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 6.1 Approval of Sept. 24, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - 6.2 Approval of the Financial Reports
 - 6.3 Approval of the Treasurer's Report
 - 6.4 Approval of District BillsMotion by Pienta seconded by Olsen that the Board approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call was taken and passed unanimously.
7. **REPORTS, UPDATES & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
 - 7.1 **Cash Flow & Budget** - All the accounts are not in the black. Mrs. DeFore has not moved over the Life Safety Expense yet to OM. That would put us into the red. I am waiting until the amended budget in June and we will have to probably switch some of our working cash over to that fund at that time.
 - 7.2 **EAV**- We are waiting to hear about our proposed EAV for next year for the levy.
 - 7.3 **Lice Policy**- We talked about it for two months, but this is just for approval.
 - 7.4 **Triple I Conference**- Mrs. DeFore will send the board an agenda when it gets closer. They are scheduled to stay at the Embassy Suites in Chicago.
 - 7.5 **School calendar**- Mrs. DeFore shared some possible calendars that Hall may use and she is meeting with the union on the 29th to discuss our next year's calendar.
 - 7.6 **Maintenance Grant**- Mrs. DeFore is starting to work on this but we may not have money to complete these items due to having to match the money. We do have a year to complete them and may have more money next year. Items she plans on putting on the list are, the preschool playground, mats for the south gym, and handicapped open buttons for the front doors, fixing some lights in the Kennedy center and some outlets in the gym.
 - 7.7 **Breakfast with Santa**- This is taking place next month and we are looking forward to it. Spring Valley Grow is in charge of it, with PAWS helping out.
 - 7.8 **Crisis Plan**- The last two months the leadership team has looked over the crisis plan. They made some updates with the help of the police department. Looking to approve this to put it in place. They got rid of some outdated language and corrected some problems they saw when they first analyzed the plan.
 - 7.9 **Snow Removal**- Mrs. DeFore enclosed the snow removal bid. It is the same company as last year. They only increased their bid by \$5 from last year. She did not get other bids because this was reasonable and we do not have to get more bids if it is under \$25,000.
 - 7.10 **Tuition waiver**- Tuition waiver for the staff's children to attend JFK.
 - 7.11 **Goal Setting**- We just have to set up the final date for goal setting and who is attending.
 - 7.12 **Assistant Principal's Report**
Sports teams are all doing well. Speech contest in November. Mrs. Schaede's class won the first Beat the Bell challenge. The Student Council had their elections and hosted Movie us the Stars.
 - 7.13 **Principal's Report**

We enrolled 8 new students in one week. We had our fire, tornado and earthquake drills.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Approve the Lice Policy-

Motion by Pienta seconded by Kasperski that the Board approve the Lice Policy. Roll call was taken and it passed unanimously.

8.2 Approve Crisis Plan

Motion by Kasperski seconded by Olsen that the Board approve the Crisis Plan. Roll call was taken and it passed unanimously.

8.3 Approve Tuition Waiver for staff members or Hall staff members children to attend JFK tuition free

Motion by Olsen seconded by Ponce that the Board approve the Tuition Waiver for staff. Roll call was taken and it passed unanimously.

8.4 Approve Goal Setting Date

Motion by Pienta seconded by Kasperski that the Board approve the Goal Setting Date. Roll call was taken and it passed unanimously.

8.5 Approve the destroying of the closed session minutes before April 22, 2023- We just make a motion a few times a year to destroy outdated closed session minutes.

Motion by Ponce seconded by Pienta that the Board approve the destruction of closed session minutes. Roll Call was taken and it passed unanimously.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: 5:48pm

Motion by Ponce seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session. Roll call was taken and it passed unanimously.

BEGIN CLOSED: 5:52PM END CLOSED: 6:37PM

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). -

Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). -

The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).-

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Pienta seconded by Ponce that the Board adjourn the October 22nd, 2025 Board Meeting. Roll Call was taken and passed unanimously.

Attest:

Lindsay Ferrari, President

Lisa Ponce, Secretary